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THE VACANT JUDGESHIP.

The County Central Committee Interviews the Governor.

Judge Wood of Contra Costa is Named for the Place.

A committee of four members of the county central committee, namely, Dr. A. A. Gall, H. E. Kay, C. E. Richards, and W. A. Bennetts, went to Sacramento last Saturday to see Governor Gillett in relation to the appointment of a superior judge for this county, made vacant by the death of the late judge R. C. Rust. It had been announced that the governor was too sick a man to be seen by any callers on business, but the committee were aware before they started that the governor would receive them.

The meeting took place Saturday afternoon, and was short. Governor Gillett was well posted on political matters in this county. He received the committee very cordially, and said that he believed he had a man in view who would fill the bill in every particular. He was not disposed to make the appointment from the applications on file, on the ground mainly of inexperience in judicial affairs.

He had a man, a classmate of his at college, whom he could recommend and vouch for. He was not certain that he would accept, but he would offer the position to him. He was Judge Fred V. Wood, of Contra Costa, and would assume all responsibility that he would make good.

With that understanding the committee left. Before the appointment is made it is likely that the prospective superior judge will visit this county. He is 45 years of age, a man of family, and an able man. He ran for superior judge on the republican ticket in Contra Costa last fall. Owing to the factional split between the regular republicans, whose votes secured him the nomination, and the Lincoln Roosevelt wing, he was defeated.

It is understood that whoever is appointed, the appointee will become permanently identified with the county, and run for re-election two years hence.

During the conference with the governor, the report that A. V. Mendenhall of Alameda, had been tendered the judgeship, and had declined was brought up. Governor Gillett branded the report as without the least foundation in fact. He did not know such a man.

The question of the vacant judgeship will no doubt be definitely settled within the next few days.

The committee returned home Sunday evening.

Judge Wood is a man that stands high wherever known. He has been judge of the police court in Alameda county, and a practicing attorney of Oakland. Parties in Amador county who are well acquainted with him, are loud in his praise, both as a general, whole-souled man, and as an able lawyer and jurist. Amador is to be congratulated in the prospect of having such a man to head the judiciary in this county.

Telephone Bills Against County.

At the last meeting of the board of supervisors a bill was allowed Pacific Telephone Company for services during the preceding month amounting to \$37.80. Outside of the regular fixed charge of \$1.50 per month for each office for local service, the charges for long distance service were made up as follows:

Superintendent of schools	\$0.95
District attorney	8.50
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Recorder	3.20
County judge	4.85
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Coroner	0.45
Assessor	0.00

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Unclaimed Letters.

Iva Buterovich, Chamber of Commerce, J. M. Lewrie, Eugenio Nencioni, John Sandson, Rev. L. W. Winslow.

Settled With State.

Treasurer Gritton went to Sacramento last Saturday for the purpose of making a settlement with the state. The amount due the state as its proportion of taxes was \$17,951.70. As a set off there was due Amador county from the state as follows:

School money	\$8765.45
Railroad taxes	132.51
Over plus by erroneous assessment	39.15
Total	10,177.10

The treasurer settled the difference of \$7700 by a check of the Amador county bank. There was no actual cash changed hands in the transaction; a very convenient way, avoiding all risk in the transportation of coin.

While in the capital city the treasurer attended the convention of county treasurers then in session, a gathering called for the purpose of exchanging views and methods in the conduct of official business.

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Eastern Star Installation

At the regular meeting of the local lodge of Order of Eastern Star held in Masonic hall Saturday evening, the following officers were installed for the ensuing term by past matron, Mrs. Adele Zumbiel:

Patron, Myron S. Matson; matron, Mrs. E. Laughton; associate matron, Mrs. A. Jones; secretary, Mrs. A. Harvey; treasurer, Mrs. K. Langhorst; conductress, Mrs. Fleming; associate conductress, Mrs. G. Lucot; chaplain, Mrs. Anthony; marshal, Mrs. Matson; warden, Mrs. Heiser; sentinel, Mrs. Osbey; Adah, Mrs. A. Zumbiel; Ruth, Mrs. Williams; Esther, Mrs. Gregory; Martha, Mrs. Hatersly; Electa, Mrs. Roberts.

At the close of the installation ceremonies, D. B. Spagnoli, in behalf of the chapter, presented the retiring worthy matron, Mrs. Zumbiel, with an elegant jewel, as a token of appreciation of her official services, a custom which has been followed ever since the chapter was instituted.

An interesting literary program was presented as follows: Remarks by Mrs. Laughton; sentimental solo by Mrs. Wylie; recitation by Dr. C. H. Gibbons; reading by Mrs. Alice Jones. A sumptuous banquet was partaken of as a fitting close to a most enjoyable evening. About ten members of Sutter Creek Chapter were in attendance.

Fell Into a Cellar

John Ratto, the moving picture man, was around in the fore part of the week with his jaw bandaged, and eye discolored, the outcome of a mishap in Sutter Creek last Saturday. He was giving a show in the sister town that night. After the performance, he was carrying his outfit outside. In the meantime the cellar door had been opened, and Ratto, unaware of the fact, stepped into the vacancy, falling in a heap at the bottom. Two sharp points in the machine were driven through his hip, and other slighter injuries. He has been under the care of Dr. Endicott, but able to be around and attend to business. He considers himself fortunate in coming through the ordeal without more serious damage.

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Smallpox Has Disappeared.

There were five cases of smallpox under quarantine last week in Drytown. A few days ago Dr. Endicott, the county physician, released four of the patients, leaving one still under guard, though convalescent. With this exception the county is free from this pestilence.

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MINING NOTES.

Argonaut.—They are cutting a station at the 3000 level of this mine. A good ore body exists on the level above running south of the shaft. Everything looks encouraging that this property will in the near future rival its bonanza days of the past. The mining ground of the Hoffman field is expected to be the source of bullion yield in the future, as well as the Argonaut proper.

Bunker Hill.—A Christmas greeting in the shape of an extra dividend of three cents per share was paid to the stockholders on the 20th.

Defender.—Gratifying reports reach us concerning this mine. At the 100 foot level a fine ore body has been encountered, hitherto unsuspected. By breaking into what was supposed to be the wall of the country rock, an eight foot vein of quartz was uncovered. The quartz is reported to be of good quality. It is regarded as one of the most important discoveries made in the history of this mine.

Premont.—The report of a fire, the result of carelessness, in the underground workings of this mine, which was in circulation last week, turns out to have a basis of truth. There was no damage done worth speaking of, as the fire was discovered in its incipency, and quickly put out, after merely blackening one piece of timber. It seems that a couple of Italian miners, through with their shift, repaired to the station to be hauled to the top. They carried a small piece of candle, less than an inch long, and placed it on the woodwork, and sat down to await the appearance of the skip. They went to sleep. The candle burned down, leaving the lighted wick in contact with the woodwork. A small fire was the result. When the skip reached the point the fire was discovered, and extinguished. The two men were found asleep. They were of course discharged. There was no malicious intent about it—purely a case of carelessness.

Can't look well, eat well or feel well with impure blood feeding your body. Keep the blood pure with Burdock Blood Bitters. Eat simply, take exercise, keep clean and you will have long life.

Turkey Shooting.

There was a turkey shoot at Ghilieri Bros. just beyond Jackson Gate last Sunday. There was quite a crowd of sportsmen present, and the supply of birds gave out at a early hour. In all nine turkeys were won. Three fell to the boys from Jackson, namely, Chas. Valvo, John Garbarini and J. Forshay.

Christmas Trees For San Francisco

Neil Hamm, formerly of this city but for the last three years engaged in farming on Roberts island, was here for several days last week gathering young pines for Christmas trees for the cities round the bay. He has shipped about 250 trees from this section for this purpose. He has obtained them mainly from the neighborhood of Pine Grove. He has culled them in spots where the trees were growing too thickly, so that no injury would result to the forest growth. He took the last to Stockton Sunday. He is of the opinion, from his experience of three years on the island, that Amador county beats the valley, and especially the regions subject to overflow, as a place of residence, and intends to return to Amador county as soon as he can make arrangements to that end.

War with Japan

could not possibly make so many cripples as rheumatism does every year. And yet there is no reason why this disease should cripple anyone, if all suffers will rub the affected parts night and morning with Ballard's Snow Liniment. Cures all aches and pains. Sold by Kuhser's City Pharmacy.

Petition Against Sunday Law.

W. Leininger of Ione valley, was in Jackson Monday, getting signatures to a petition to be presented to the coming California legislature, protesting against the proposed Sunday law. The document was numerous signed around here. The scheme to force the outward observance of Sunday by closing all business under a penal provision, is advocated in certain religious quarters, under the mistaken notion that it would help to fill the church pews on that day. The most zealous opponents of this proposition, however, are also found among the religious element, who see in it a tendency to discriminate in favor of those sectarian denominations which hold the first day of the week to be the true Sabbath day. They hold that the province of the state is to keep hands off of all abstract moral and religious questions.

James Morgan Dead.

James Morgan, a prominent mining man in the early days of Amador county, died in Los Angeles on the 15th of December. He was identified with the Oneida mine many years ago. In the early 80's he operated at Butte Basin, but failed to find any pay gravel. He was 84 years of age at the time of his death.

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Hotel Arrivals

National: Thursday—Claus Nerte-rich, John J. Hess, W. S. Lane, San Francisco; H. O. Willis, Sacramento; J. P. Sargent, Lodi.

Friday—E. Boydston, Volcano; E. B. Siebold, John McKelvey, Defender; F. J. Solinsky, Jr., Berkeley; E. B. Dennison, Pine Grove; E. S. Seymer, San Francisco; A. A. Berry, Glencoe; T. W. Pearson, Sacramento; F. I. Gilman, San Jose.

Saturday—E. I. Hopper, Ione; F. C. Viscia, F. A. Hensely, I. Smith, Harold Cummings, Electra; C. B. Allen, Berkeley; R. W. Steckel, Hamby Mine; Miss Minnie Schuman, Lathrop; O. E. Loftstad, Defender; S. White, Mrs. E. A. Tillman and daughter.

Sunday—Chas. C. Huff, San Francisco; C. H. Dannels, Louisville; N. D. Vanderhoff, Silver, Nevada; W. W. Youman, Sacramento; W. Leininger, Ione; G. N. McGuffick.

Monday—Fred W. Wright, Moke-lume Hill; W. H. Cook, Volcano; Miss Stella Porter, Defender; R. Schapiro, D. W. McLaughlin, East Richmond; W. F. McKinney, San Francisco; W. D. Curtis, Burt Warren, Sacramento; J. Grasso, Volcano; W. E. Stirmann, Defender.

Tuesday—Mrs. A. Caswell, W. A. Salisbury, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Weaver, Electra; Mrs. J. A. Gothie, Vallejo; John Spencer, W. Avise, Sacramento; W. D. Ould, Forest Home.

Wednesday—Jos. Ratto, Sacramento; F. B. Platt, Conley Station.

Globe: Thursday—Jud. M. Scott, Sacramento; N. E. Denend, Volcano; W. S. Capley, Paloma; E. Goodding, Camanche; L. Nuenthal, Eureka; A. M. Brigham, Woodbridge; A. Foglia, San Francisco.

Friday—Wm. Hanley, New York Ranch; Peter Ehler, Chas. Ehler, Plymouth; R. O. McKean, Volcano; L. T. Smith, West Point.

Saturday—W. H. Strong, Wallace; Jos. J. Bastian, Plymouth; Chas. Ginocchio, Gwin Mine; Mrs. Chas. Glenn, Miss H. Glenn, Lucie E. Smith, Defender.

Sunday—J. S. Davis, Amador City; T. F. Buckley, N. E. McGuffick, Ione; Otto Fancher, John Post, Kennedy. Monday—Fred C. Martin, Sutter Creek; Nellie Hauley, New York Ranch; B. A. Farmer, Stockton; A. Calamarie, Gwin Mine.

Tuesday—Fayette Mace, Ione; C. C. Cantrell, Chico; Joe Thimmore, F. T. Johnson, Electra, C. B. Calvin, Pine Grove.

Wednesday—J. J. Cramer, Pine Grove; Thos. Green, Sutter Creek; E. C. Shealer, Oleta.

For Sale—Lot of benches, formerly used in Webb hall; 6 and 8 feet long; suitable for show place, churches, etc. Will be sold cheap; apply at Ledger office.

Amador County. Descriptive Article

Amador county comprises an area of 548 square miles. It lies on the western slope of Sierra Nevada mountains, and embraces within its territory all the diversity of valley, foothill, and high mountainous lands.

Climate.—The climate of the populous portions of the county is as genial and healthful as can be found anywhere in California. As climate is one of the most valuable assets of this favored state in attracting population, Amador stands second to no county in this regard. It should, and no doubt will in time, when its climatic advantages are more thoroughly understood and appreciated, become a health resort not only for those in less favored states, but for the residents of other parts of California. The temperature along the central portion rarely falls below 30 degrees above zero in winter, and as rarely rises to 100 degrees in the summer. Snow seldom falls in the settled districts, and never remains on the ground for more than a few hours. Of course, in the high mountain regions of eastern Amador the snowfall is very heavy—which is characteristic of the entire Sierra Nevada range. The summer season is always accompanied with cool nights; permitting of sound, refreshing slumber. Fogs are rare, cyclones are unknown, thunderstorms are infrequent.

Gold Mining.—The county, although rich in other sources of wealth, comparatively untouched, is noted principally for her quartz mines. The deepest gold mines in America are located here. The Kennedy mine is now taking gold in liberal quantities from quartz extracted from a depth of over 3000 feet below the surface, with every indication that the pay-ore extends to a much greater depth. Since the discovery of gold, the county has contributed fully \$100,000,000 to the world's supply of the precious metal. The mines are still yielding at the rate of about two million dollars annually. Nearly all of this wealth is produced by eight or ten mines operating on what is called the "mother lode," stretching clear across the county in a north-easterly direction a distance of twenty miles. The mines aggregate between 400 and 500 stamps, and furnish employment for over 1000 miners. This industry is still in its infancy. The unexplored territory, even along the main gold belt, is far in excess of the ground that has actually been worked or prospected. The county offers today one of the most inviting fields to be found anywhere in the world for the investment of capital in the fascinating business of gold mining, not alone along the mother lode, but also in the almost untouched mineralized country of the east belt, some ten or twelve miles from the main lode.

Besides gold, we have copper, deposits of pottery, coal, marble, slate, limestone, granite, and soapstone or talc—all undeveloped.

Agricultural Capabilities.—The agricultural possibilities equal, if not excel, the mineral riches. The valley lands will produce anything that can be grown in the most favored sections. In the foothill lands all kinds of deciduous fruits thrive; also all kinds of vegetable are raised where irrigation is practicable along the numerous water courses. Further up in the mountains, at an altitude of 2000 to 2500 feet, the soil is admirably adapted for apples and potatoes. A ready market for many times the quantity now raised of these commodities can be found in the various mining towns.

Grape culture and winemaking are becoming important industries, both the grapes and wine commanding a better price than the product of the lowland.

Land is cheap compared with other California lands. Improved farms may be secured for one-fourth the price current in some places. Unimproved lands can be had from \$5 to \$10 per acre. It does not require a fortune to buy a small ranch. There is room for a large addition to our agricultural population. Vast tracts now devoted to cattle ranges might be made the homes of hundreds of prosperous farmers.

Amador has a population of less than 2000. Three fourths of this is concentrated in a strip of three miles above and below the mineral belt.

Jackson, the county seat, has about 2500 inhabitants, and is an incorporated city of the sixth class. Other towns are Sutter Creek, Amador City, Drytown, Plymouth, Volcano, Pine Grove and Oleta. Ione City is the metropolis of the valley section, a thriving town of 1000 inhabitants.

The community is law-abiding. Educational facilities are excellent. A schoolhouse is within easy reach of nearly every family. There is one high school, located at Ione.

The assessment roll for 1907 is \$5,500,793, and the tax rate for both state and county purposes \$2 on the \$100.

The Southern Pacific has a branch railroad running to Ione. From this point the Ione and Eastern railroad extends 14 miles further to the mining section.

The various religious denominations and fraternal organizations are well represented.

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When the Thing Was Turned Something Had to Give Way.

And speaking of teeth reminds me that the country doctor had to draw them when they ached. The dentist's artistry had not attained the elevated plane it occupies today, when everybody's mouth shines like the inside of a communion cup. I honestly believe the modern dentist has more different kinds of tools than even a sanitary plumber, and that's a whole lot when you come to count them up. The modern dentist hates the worst way to draw a tooth. Nevertheless if the modern dentist must draw the tooth he has a particular forceps for a particular tooth, and a cruel hearted and cold looking thing it is too. It puts you so in mind of a successful financier. When you brace yourself in the iron chair and take a tight grip on the arms of it and make up your mind you'll try to stand it and he gets that forceps well under the gum and—wait a minute; I feel so kind o' faint! Laws! Why didn't I mind my mother when she told me not to crack hickory nuts with my teeth? Well, anyway, you know he'll get the tooth out without doing more than take the whole top of your head off, and that only in a figurative sense.

Uncle Doc had one implement that did for every tooth, big and little, front and back. It wasn't a forceps; it was a turnkey. The real old folks know what that is and will say so with the cold chills running over them. But you've never seen one, and many a man that you would call old has never seen one. It's something like a canthook. The loosely riveted piece that curves slips over the tooth and catches on the inside; the solid cam bears on the outside gum; the operator turns the handle. Let's not talk about it. Something has got to give. Maybe the tooth will come out; maybe it will break off; maybe the jaw will fracture. All those are details. The main point is that if the operator twists the handle something has got to give, and that's all there is about it.—Eugene Wood in Success Magazine.

A GENTLE REPROACH.

Telling Retort of the Lamblike, Violet Eyed Beauty.

There is a certain young woman who is beautiful, with that childish, wistful, innocent looking, violet eyed beauty which reduces one-half the feminine world to tears, the other half to utterly helpless rage. We all know the type, but it is seldom given us to see it in such perfection. We usually associate it with a lamblike, appealing mentality that permits itself to be ridden upon—as soon expect a wood violet to turn and rend you.

A short time ago she was asked to a woman's luncheon and got herself up for the occasion in a way that made the result of her efforts a thing not easily forgotten. She arrived looking so lovely that there was little said among the guests for a few moments after her entry into the room. Perhaps she felt the silence. At all events, she turned to the woman standing nearest her and said in a childish voice, with every such a little lisp and pretty southern accent:

"How well yo' are lookin' today!"

It was a well meant civility from a young woman to an older one, who seemingly was unable to accept it as such and put up her lorgnette, sweeping the speaker from top to toe. What she saw was enough to disconcert a younger and prettier woman than herself, but even so one finds it difficult to justify her next move.

"Wish I could say the same for you," she returned, closing her lorgnette with a snap.

One or two of the guests were friends of the pretty woman and almost stopped breathing in order not to miss what they felt sure would come—and it came. The pretty one raised her eyebrows slightly, then said, with an air of gentle reproach:

"Why don't yo' lie like a lady, like I do?"—Rebboth Sunday Herald.

What He Needed.

A sovereign would tempt many men, and when Plimkins, making a few purchases at the stores, saw one lying on the floor just by the counter he quivered with excitement.

Glancing around to reassure himself that none was looking, he quite accidentally dropped one of his kid gloves neatly on the coin and then dived. He got the glove all right, but still the sovereign remained.

A shopwalker approached him.

"Good morning, sir," said the man, rubbing his hands together in the approved style, "and may I show you a bottle of our celebrated liquid glue, which sticks?"

—London Mail.

The Cellar Stairs.

A man who once had a bad fall when going down his cellar stairs now has a broad strip of white painted on the floor at the end of the last step. This is easily seen, even if the cellar be dark, and many a nasty accident is avoided. If the house is rented and you do not like to paint the boards a piece of white oilcloth can be tacked to the floor at the foot of the stairs. See that the tacking is securely done or a worse fall may follow than from a misgauged step.—Philadelphia Press.

Dodged.

"I got my wife through advertising." "Then you'll admit that advertising pays?"

"I'll admit that it brings results," was the cautious reply.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

No man can be provident of his time who is not prudent in the choice of his company.—Jeremy Taylor.

Why Refer to Doctors

Because we make medicines for them. We tell them all about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and they prescribe it for coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption. They trust it. Then you can afford to trust it. Ask your own doctor.

The best kind of a testimonial—"Sold for over sixty years."

Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of Sarsaparilla, Pills, Hair Vigor.

We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines.

Ayer's

Ayer's Pills greatly aid the Cherry Pectoral in breaking up a cold.

About the World's Newspapers.

A French statistician who has been searching records calculates that there is one newspaper published for every 82,000 inhabitants of the known world. In Europe, Germany heads the list with 5500 newspapers, of which 800 are published daily. England comes next with 3000 newspapers, of which 800 are dailies, and then comes France with 2819 newspapers, of which only one-fourth are daily or published twice or thrice a week. Italy comes fourth with 1400 papers, and is followed by Austria-Hungary, Spain, Russia, Greece and Switzerland, the last having 450 newspapers. Altogether Europe has about 20,000 newspapers.

There are 12,500 newspapers published in the United States; about 1000 of them are published daily, and 120 are managed, edited and published by negroes. In Asia there are 3000 periodical publications, of which the greater part appear in British India and Japan. The latter country publishes 1500 newspapers. Africa has only twenty newspapers, of which thirteen are published in Egypt and the rest in the various European colonies.—Newspaperdom.

Modern Taste in Photographs.

The modern taste in photographs is very apt to be entirely critical. People are particular as to what they want in this line. Nothing but the best is good enough for them. That's why Logan, the busiest photographer in Stockton, has so many customers amongst the critical class. His work is most excellent. You'll find it handsomely finished, clear and distinct and true to life. Have a dozen made next time you are in town. Your friends will want one as soon as they see them. Prices no higher than elsewhere. Studio at 15 South San Joaquin street, Stockton, Cal.

The Dust of the Earth.

Expecting a visit from the superintendent of an adjacent Sunday school one Sunday afternoon, one enterprising teacher, anticipating the line of questions which would be asked of the scholars, selected a boy from her class to answer each question. As she figured it out, the visitor would first ask the question, "Who made you?" and the first pupil was of course, to answer "God." The next question was to be "Of what?" to which the answer was to be "Of the dust of the earth."

Unfortunately, between the time Sunday school was called to order and the visiting superintendent had taken the floor, the first pupil was taken sick and obliged to go home. The teacher did not have the opportunity to readjust her force, and when the first question was asked, the second boy thought it a good opportunity for him to get in his answer and get it off his mind; so to the question, "Who made you?" he answered, "Of the dust of the earth."

"Oh no," said the visitor. "God made you."

"No sir; He did not," said the youngster.

"The little boy that God made has gone home sick, and I am the dust of the earth."—Judge.

Time Might Help

The Williamsport Grit prints the following story by S. M. Wall of Atlanta:

"A gentleman from the North was on a visit in South Georgia and, having nothing in view, one Sunday morning, attended a negro Methodist church service.

"It happened that a young white man preached for them. After the services he walked behind a couple of old darkeys to the village. A discussion of the merits of the minister was in vogue in the following:

"Massa Henry fine preacher, ain't 'e?"

"He shore am."

"Good as Linkun, ain't 'e?"

"Shaw, Linkun can't tech 'im."

"Good as George Wash'n, ain't 'e?"

"Wash'n cud'n hole 'im a can'l."

"He ain't good as de Lord, am, 'e?"

"No, but he's a young man yit."

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Correspondents Wanted

We want a regular correspondent in Amador, Drytown, Plymouth and Volcano. We will send a daily paper free, also stationery supplies and stamps to any one who will act as correspondent in each of the above places. Let us hear from you. We want the news.

JACKSON VALLEY.

Dec. 22—Lester Miner, who has been working in the barber shop at Lockford for the past two months, spent Sunday and Monday at home.

Miss Almira Burris returned home Saturday from her visit at Chico.

Mr and Mrs J. Kidd spent Saturday and Sunday in Julian district.

Mrs S. L. Bamert spent Friday in the valley.

Mrs E. D. Whipple returned to her home in Clements last Friday.

Miss Alice Bonham returned home Saturday from taking the teacher's examination. She expects to remain home but a few days.

A. C. Miner made a business trip to Clements Sunday.

Miss Blanche Beatie left Saturday morning for her home in Shasta county, where she will spend Christmas.

Mrs Clara Dufrene, who has been quite sick for the past week, is improving.

Mrs H. D. Ranlett left last Thursday for Berkeley, where she intends spending Christmas with her daughter, Mrs L. McKee.

Leo Kidd is up from Stockton to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr Jones of Pine Grove, was around with apples one day this week.

At Hewitt's Bazaar

The largest and most varied line of toys in Central California is now to be found at Hewitt's Bazaar, Stockton. This store is one of the greatest headquarters for Christmas goods in the whole interior. Be sure to visit them before Christmas.

Dwelling House Burned

The dwelling house of Domenico Gianini, situated on the Belluomini ranch, two miles south of Jackson, was utterly destroyed by fire, with all its contents, on Friday afternoon. The fire is supposed to have started from a defective stove pipe. The family had partaken of dinner about noon, and thereafter, it is said, the fire in the stove was allowed to die out. It is surmised, however, that the stiff fire kindled at this time, ignited the timbers in the upper story, and after smoldering for two or three hours, burst into flames. The fire was discovered about three o'clock. As soon as discovered an attempt was made to enter and save the contents, but the men were driven back by the smoke. Practically nothing of the furniture or other contents was saved. The house contained five rooms, was substantially built, and the owner estimates the loss at \$2000. There was a small insurance, but just how much we have not learned.

Died in Stockton.

A report reached here Tuesday that Joe Bird, who was severely injured by an electric shock at the plant at Electra several years ago, and who subsequently went insane and was committed to the asylum at Stockton, was dying in that institution. He has a wife and child in this county.

A message came Wednesday announcing his death Tuesday night. The remains were brought here the following day for interment.

Notice.

The Ven. Archdeacon, Geo. E. Swan, of Sacramento, next to the Bishop of the Diocese, will hold a morning service in St. Augustine's Episcopal church, and preach on Sunday after Christmas, Dec. 27th, at 11 o'clock a. m. After this service the Archdeacon will make to the members and friends of the work, a definite and very important proposition from the Bishop in regard to the payment of the small debt on the rectory, and the future of the church. Be sure to come and hear him, as he is an able and interesting speaker, and was rector of the strong church of St. Mark's in Berkeley for nine years and built that fine church. Everybody is invited. Don't miss this chance to hear him. Remember the day, Sunday December 27, and the time in the morning at 11 o'clock.

E. U. Bran, rector.

The Correct Time

to stop a cough or cold is just as soon as it starts—then there will be no danger of pneumonia or consumption. Just a few doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup taken at the start will stop the cough. If it has been running on for sometime the treatment will be longer, but the cure is sure. Sold by Kulser's City Pharmacy.

A STRANGE CASE.

W. Ross and Wife Arrested for Fraudulently Obtaining Deed in Their Favor.

Deed Recorded in San Joaquin Co.

W. Ross, the new tailor, who came to this town from Angels about four months ago, and started business in the premises formerly occupied by Max Ladar, was arrested Wednesday evening, also his wife, and landed in jail, on complaint of Jos. D. Mason, who charges them with abstracting a deed to a couple of lots in the outskirts of Stockton, and having the same placed on record in the recorder's office of San Joaquin county. It seems Ross and his wife have, since their advent in this city, occupied a house belonging to Mason. They had been negotiating about the purchase of the Stockton lots in question for two or three weeks. A bargain was made that the couple should have the lots for \$400. A check was made out on the Amador Bank for that amount in payment, and the deed to the lots passed from Mason to Ross or his wife. Thereafter, and before the check had been presented for payment, the buyers became dissatisfied, and the upshot was that the money in the bank was withdrawn. Thereupon it was arranged that Mason should give up the check, and Ross surrender the deed, and the deal declared off. This was done. Other negotiations were started, resulting in a trip to Stockton by Mason and Mrs Ross, for the purpose of showing the latter the lots, and have her judge for herself as to their value. They came back the middle of last week. In the meantime, so it is said, Mason had deposited the deed in a trunk in his dwelling. After the return from Stockton, Ross stated to several that his wife had bought the lots for \$300. On the other hand, it is claimed that Mason refused to part with them for that amount or anything less than \$400. A few days afterwards, as the report goes, Mason looked into the trunk where he had placed the deed, and found it missing. Upon inquiry, he found that the deed had been sent to San Joaquin and put on record. The document had been given into the hands of W. G. Snyder, as attorney, for the purpose of getting it recorded, on the theory that the purchase price had been paid to Mason. Mason says he received no money, and hence the arrest of the pair on charge of purloining the document.

Death of Mrs Phear.

Mrs Jane Phear, wife of Samuel Phear, proprietor of the express wagon of this city, died at the residence on Broadway on Sunday morning about three o'clock. The end came unexpectedly. She had been ailing for a long time from chronic troubles of the limbs, but nothing dangerous. On Friday last, she was taken sick from stomach ailments, and the doctor was summoned. On the following morning she was worse, and before leaving for Sacramento Dr. Gall again made a professional visit. Toward evening, seeing that the patient appeared to be growing worse, Dr. Sprague was called, in the absence of the family physician. The patient was in an extremely weak condition, and nothing could be done to avert the fatal termination, which was evidently only a few hours away. She died early Sunday morning from some intestinal complaint. The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon, services at the residence, the Rev. T. H. Nicholas officiating. Deceased was a very estimable woman, a native of England, 58 years of age. She leaves a husband and one child, a daughter about 13 years of age.

Eat What

You want of the food you need Kodol will digest it.

You need a sufficient amount of good wholesome food and more than this you need to fully digest it.

Else you can't gain strength, nor can you strengthen your stomach if it is weak.

You must eat in order to live and maintain strength.

You must not diet, because the body requires that you eat a sufficient amount of food regularly.

But this food must be digested, and it must be digested thoroughly.

When the stomach can't do it, you must take something that will help the stomach.


The proper way to do is to eat what you want, and let Kodol digest the food.

Nothing else can do this. When the stomach is weak it needs help; you must help it by giving it rest, and Kodol will do that.

WANT AMADOR MAN APPOINTED.

State Senator Caminetti was in the city yesterday from Jackson, and had a conference with private secretary to the Governor E. C. Cooper relative to the appointment of a superior court judge for Amador county. Judge Rust of that county died after his re-election in November, and there are three applicants for the office. William G. Snyder, (republican), J. W. Caldwell (republican), and D. B. Spagnoli (democrat). Senator Caminetti said he was not here in the interest of any one of these, but simply to see what could be done to fill the vacancy, as the bar association of Amador county had endorsed these applicants and wanted an Amador county man on the bench. —Sac. Union.

It is safe to say that political considerations, rather than a desire for the welfare of Amador county is the underlying incentive to confine the appointment of judge to the limits of Amador county. It may be the sentiment of the local bar, and it certainly is the desire of the court house clique, but we venture to say, beyond these elements the sentiment is not endorsed by one tenth of the people of Amador county—those who want the best talent to be had for this responsible office. To seek to limit the matter to local residents can not be defended on the ground of home loyalty under the circumstances. The whole hue and cry has the earmarks of a political plot in the interest of the democratic party. If a local man secured the appointment they believe they might stand a chance to capture the judgeship two years hence. Whereas, if a strong, capable man from the outside, of republican antecedents, comes here, their hopes in this direction fall to zero. This is the whole thing in a nutshell.



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Our Guarantee

Go to your druggist today, and purchase a dollar bottle, and if you can honestly say, that you did not receive any benefits from it, after using the entire bottle, the druggist will refund your money to you without question or delay.

We will pay the druggist the price of the bottle purchased by you.

This offer applies to the large bottle only and to but one in a family.

We could not afford to make such an offer, unless we positively knew what Kodol will do for you.

It would bankrupt us.

The dollar bottle contains 2½ times as much as the fifty cent bottle.

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BORN.

MACE—In lone Dec. 11, 1908, to the wife of Payette Mace, a son.

MARRIED.

RYDBERG-FORTNER.—In Oakdale, December 16, 1908, by Rev. Father Horan, J. Alvin Rydberg of Oakdale, to Miss Maud Fortner, of Jackson.

BOSHAW-HAWKINS.—In Sacramento, December 14, 1908, at the German Lutheran church, by Rev. Charles F. Oehler, Levi A. Boshaw of Plymouth, to Bertha Hawkins of San Francisco.

KERFOOT-DUFRENE.—In Sacramento, December 19, 1908, Lee Henry Kerfoot of Jackson, to Miss Irma Dufrene of Sacramento.

DIED.

PHEAR.—In Jackson, December 20, 1908, Jane, beloved wife of Samuel Phear, a native of England, aged 58 years.

Special Small Ads.

Advertisements under this head, not exceeding 5 lines, will be inserted at 50c per month, or 5 cents per line for less than one month.

ALL kinds of Blanks for U. S. Land Filings—Homestead, Timber, and Mineral blanks—may be had at the Ledger office; also deeds, mortgages, mining locations, proof of labor, and other legal blanks kept for sale.

Mining Signals on cloth, required to be posted in all mines, for sale at the Ledger office.

Receipt books, location blanks, deeds, mortgages, promissory notes, etc. for sale; also mining signals on cloth, graduation diplomas, at the Ledger office

Acknowledgment blanks for notaries, specially printed for Amador county, may be had at the Ledger office. Price 50c per packet of 50.

Furnished Rooms to let: inquire at Ledger office.

Copies of the license ordinance of the City of Jackson in pamphlet form may be had at the Ledger office; price 15c. each.

WANTED—Pasture for twenty head of cattle, after the grass starts. Address W. H. Frey, Fairplay, El Dorado Co., Calif. Aug. 28-2m

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping on the Mason tract. Apply at this office.

City of Jackson DELINQUENT LIST

For the Year 1908

Office of the City Tax Collector of the City of Jackson, County of Amador, State of California,

Public notice is hereby given that the following is the delinquent tax list of the city of Jackson for the year 1908, containing the name of the person and a description of the property delinquent, and the amount of taxes and costs due opposite the name of the person delinquent, with the taxes due on personal property added to the taxes due on real estate, where the real estate is liable therefor, or where several taxes are due from the same person, to wit:

J. D. MASON

Four houses and lots in the city of Jackson, California, described on the official map as being Lot 18 in Block 2; a house and lot described on official map as being Lot 17 in Block 2; and four lots described on official map as being Lots 18, 16, 15 and 2½ in Block 2.

\$17 05

And further notice is hereby given that unless the said taxes delinquent, together with costs and percentages, are paid, the real property above described, upon which such taxes are a lien, will on Saturday, the 9th day of January, 1909, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., in front of the City Tax Collector's office in the Marella building on Court street, Jackson, California, be sold to the city of Jackson, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 14 entitled, "An ordinance providing a system for the assessment, levy and collection of city taxes" passed and approved on the 8th day of February, 1908.

GEORGE M. HUBERTY, City Tax Collector. Dated, December 17, 1908.

L. A. DANNER

Have just received a new and complete stock of WALL PAPER—new designs, all grades. Write me for prices.

Paints Wall Paper Glass Brushes

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15 S. HUNTER STREET STOCKTON, CAL.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION

Jackson, Amador Co., Cal., Nov. 24th, '08.

To Whom It May Concern:—

The Board of Education of Amador county will meet in the Superintendent's office, Saturday, December 12th to adopt questions for the Teachers' examinations, to take place Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th.

Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 14th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd, the board will meet to grade the papers and issue certificates to the successful applicants.

Thursday, the 24th, will grant certificates on credentials, grant recommendations for state documents, renew certificates and adopt library books.

Very respectfully,
W. H. GREENHALGH,
Supt. of Schools.

BANKING BY MAIL

The Stockton Savings and Loan Society with resources of \$4,000,000.00 offers every facility for doing a banking business by mail. Checks taken payable in any part of the United States. Our system of banking by mail practically brings this great bank to your door. To open an account with us, place the amount you wish to start within an envelope addressed to us and by return mail you will receive a bank book showing the amount of your deposit. The United States mails are safe and no one ever lost a dollar in this way. We solicit the accounts of farmers, business men and others and assure them courteous and liberal treatment.

Kindly mention this Paper

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DON'T HIDE YOUR MONEY

The man who hides his money because he assumes to be afraid of banks forgets that it was the bank that perhaps made the prosperity possible which gave him his money making opportunities. Without the bank there would be no large commercial or business enterprises possible, salaries and wages would be low, and money making impossible. It is the bank in the exercise of its function in gathering together the funds of a community and putting them into active use that has brought prosperity.

To hide money is the hinder and hurt prosperity by restricting the circulation of money.

Bring your money to the bank.

Bank of Amador County Jackson, California.

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Notice for Publication.—0725.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 21, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that Charles H. Huot, of Sutter Creek, Calif., who, on Dec. 30, 1901, made H. E. No. 7135, for 3½ of SW¼ of SE¼ Sec. 33, T. 8 N., and lot 2, Section 4, Township 7 N., Range 14 E., Mount Diablo Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before the U. S. Commissioner for Amador county at his office in Jackson, Calif., on the 2nd day of January, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Samuel Lesley, Arthur E. Lesley, and Louis Miller of Volcano, Calif. Felix Huot, of Sutter Creek, Calif.

JOHN F. ARMSTRONG, Register

Jackson, Cal.

G. F. DORNAN

Main Street

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Gantner & Maltern's Knit Underwear
Gents' Neckwear .25 \$1.50
Gents' durable suspenders .25 \$1.50
Gents' Trousers
Gents' gloves of all kinds
Silk and linen handkerchiefs, plain and initial
Silk reefers
Stitson and Grizzly hats
Cashmere and wool socks
Large assortment of fancy socks
Gents' and boys' sweaters, Gantner and Maltern

Orders taken for HAVILAND DINNER SETS
Call and see samples.

Orders taken for Suits
See our prize offer for the first 10 suits. The lucky man gets a pair of \$10 Pants free.

Orders taken for Art Squares or Rugs
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Or Furniture

Call and see Sample Book.

Ladies' silk lisle cashmere and cotton hose
We carry the largest assortment of ladies' and children's plain and initial handkerchiefs
Ladies' long and short kid and silk gloves
Ladies' and children's wool gloves and mittens
Children's Teddy Bear mittens
Ladies' hand bags, neckwear and garters
Ladies' and children's sweater coats made by Gantner & Maltern, San Francisco
Ladies' elastic belts
Ladies' and children's underwear

If you have been unable to find a Suitable Present, call and I will try and get it for you.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

A complete assortment of up-to-date Holiday Goods comprising the Best of American Imported Perfumes, beautifully hand painted and view Calendars, Framed Pictures, Toilet Sets, Powder and Puff and Jewel Boxes. Fancy Holiday Packages of Paper and Envelopes, all kinds of Leather Goods, such as Wallets, Hand Bag Cards and Cigar Cases, and Music Rolls, fine Razor Strops and Razors, Post Card Albums of all descriptions, all kinds of woodwork for burning.

RUHSEY'S CITY PHARMACY.
Jackson, Cal.

TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL

This table gives the highest and lowest temperature in Jackson for each day, together with the rainfall, as recorded by self-registering instruments kept at the Ledger office.

Date.	Temp L. H.	Rainfall	Date.	Temp L. H.	Rainfall
Dec. 1, 1908	34 57		Dec. 17	29 55	
2	37 51		18	25 55	
3	42 69		19	25 57	
4	41 53		20	27 65	
5	42 66		21	25 55	
6	34 65		22	27 52	
7	35 63		23	30 51 0.05	
8	35 61		24	31	
9	38 66		25		
10	32 69		26		
11	30 66		27		
12	35 64		28		
13	41 57		29		
14	41 57		30		
15	27 54		31		
16	29 45				

Total rainfall for season to date 5.18 inches
To corresponding period last season 4.15

LOCAL NEWS

J. E. Wilson, Dentist. Hours 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Phone—Office, black 441; residence, black 394; Jackson.

Mr and Mrs Barnes, both formerly of Volcano, are visiting relatives and friends in that town. They are from Colorado, where Mr Barnes is engaged in farming. Mr Barnes is a nephew of the late Robert Stewart, and his wife was Miss Ella Cottingham of Volcano. They intend to spend the winter in Amador county.

Miss Abbie Cuneo went to Stockton Saturday, for the purpose of attending the wedding of her nephew, John Cuneo and Miss Mary Andrews, both formerly of New York Ranch in this county. The wedding took place in Stockton Wednesday.

Ruhser has a fine line of holiday goods at surprisingly low prices.

Mrs Jas. Mortimer, accompanied by her niece, left Sunday for Stockton to visit relatives.

Peter Jonas sr., of Volcano, has been very sick for the past two weeks. He is 79 years of age. A couple of weeks ago a dog ran against him, throwing him against a hot stove. He has been poorly since.

Imported and Domestic Perfumes in fine cut glass bottles and beautiful cases at Ruhser's.

Robert Read and son, Robt. jr., left Sunday for San Francisco, the latter to remain to take part in the grocery business which he and his brother, Walter, have recently purchased at Visitation, on the line of the Bay Shore cut off.

Mrs Lillie French left Sunday morning for San Francisco on a short visit to her son Lewis, who is employed in the offices of the Southern Pacific.

Go to L. Vogeli for your Christmas presents.

Mrs Jas. Dye left Friday morning for Seattle, Wash., on a visit to her sons. She expects to be away about a month. The family is preparing to move from Scottsville, where they have lived on the property of the Amador Gold mine for so many years, to Sutter Creek, where Mr Dye expects to secure employment in connection with a new bank that is talked about in that town.

Miss Ellen E. Miller, schoolteacher at Oneida district, was a passenger on the outgoing stage Sunday morning, bound for Oakland, to spend the Christmas vacation with her folks there.

P. Cuneo has a large display of Christmas goods. On account of lack of room and having a large stock he is closing out many lines at a small profit. He also carries a nice assortment of novelties in ladies' neckwear and belts. Before making holiday purchases elsewhere please give him a call.

Messrs Martin and Rose from Angels, prominently identified with the management of the Utica mine of that camp, passed through Jackson Sunday in an auto, on their way to the Hazard mine and Plymouth, where the Hayward estate has large mining interests.

Dr. J. D. Fogarty, dentist, Jackson. Office in Kay's building, Main street. Hours from 9 a. m. till 5 p. m. Telephone, black 363.

Dr. C. H. Gibbons, for a number of years a practicing physician and surgeon of this city, but now located at College City, Colusa county, paid a flying visit to Jackson, arriving Saturday evening and leaving the next morning. He attended the installation of the Eastern Star and banquet on Saturday evening.

Miss Holser, who has been employed as milliner by Mrs Delahide for several months, left Sunday morning for San Francisco.

Henry Bradley, the shake and timber dealer of near Ham's station, departed Sunday morning for the valleys, intending to remain about a month. He will visit Sonoma, San Joaquin and other counties on business.

The finest stock of jewelry, glassware, and novelties, suitable for holiday gifts, is to be found at L. Vogeli's.

On Friday and Saturday last the self-registering thermometers of the Ledger office registered 25 degrees above zero, the coldest this season. In San Francisco and points around the bay it has been the coldest spell experienced in thirty years. The coldest ever registered in Jackson within that time was 18 above zero.

Three large three inch hydrants were broken by the severe frost of Saturday morning. The one on Main street in front of the Webb building gave considerable trouble, spouting out a volume of water that washed considerable gravel from the street.

These fire plugs are under the charge of the city authorities. To replace the broken fittings will involve an expense of about \$30.

You will make no mistake by buying your Christmas goods this year from L. Vogeli, the up-to-date watchmaker and jeweler.

Willis Hoss left Wednesday for Hayward, to spend the holidays with relatives in that town.

Much difficulty has been encountered during the continued cold snap in keeping the McLaughlin ditch open. Men have been employed to chop the ice to insure the flow of water. They have succeeded in maintaining the flow although considerably reduced. They are preparing to open up the Garibaldi gravel claim on Boardman hill, which will require a quantity of water from this ditch.

A couple of peddlers were arrested in Jackson under the city ordinance last week for selling without a license. They were fined \$10 or ten days in jail. They served out the time and were liberated early this week. They were peddling fake jewelry, rings, studs, and so forth, the cheapest kind of stuff. A suit case full of such truck was found in their possession. In one another of this class was detected in the same business. He accosted Sheriff Gregory to purchase some of his goods, not knowing his official position. The sheriff asked him to show his license. Thereat he became confused. The sheriff then wanted to call constable Kelly, when the illicit peddler struck across lots for the woods, and was soon lost to sight.

Christmas services at St. Patrick's church as follows: First mass at 8 o'clock; second mass at ten o'clock; missa cantata, augmented choir.

Lee Henry Kerfoot, collector for the Pacific Telephone Company in Jackson, and Miss Erna Fay Du-rene, daughter of J. Dufrere of Ione, were married in Sacramento last Saturday. They will make their home in Jackson, having arranged to occupy the residence of Mrs Fontenrose on Pitt street.

Grace and Irene Folger have left Vallejo and gone to Seattle, where Grace is to be married to a young man of that city on the first of the year. Miss Irene intends to remain near Seattle with her mother, Mrs M. W. Folger, who has taken a small tract of land for fruit raising.

W. D. Curtis, agent of the Pioneer Flour Mills of Sacramento, was making his regular trip through Amador county this week, in the interest of that popular brand of flour.

A miner named Jos. Giannini was struck in the hand by a sharp rock while working in one of the mines of this vicinity, inflicting injuries that will disable him from work for the next week. He is doing nicely under the care of Dr. Sprague.

A man fresh from Nevada dropped into the Bidge saloon Saturday night, got into an altercation, while suffering from too much booze, the upshot of which was that the proprietor, Frank Simsieb, received a cut in the wrist from a knife in the hands of the stranger. The injury was slight, and no legal action taken.

A fine assortment of hand painted and view Calendars at Ruhser's.

A message has been received from W. J. McGee from Honolulu that he expects to be in his office in Jackson on the fourth of January.

The big water wheel shipped to the Electra plant a couple of weeks ago, was put in place and started on its work a day or two after it reached its destination, under the supervision of Mr Jolliman. The two big dynamos are supplying the current at present. Mr Jolliman is acting superintendent at the plant during the absence of the regular superintendent Walter E. Eskew, who is spending a vacation on a visit to his relatives in the east.

Don't fail to attend the masquerade ball of the Native Daughters in Jackson New Year's eve.

Carl Schacht, the dentist, is vacating the rooms above the Cuneo store. He will have his residence at the home of his mother. For his dental office he has taken the rooms in the Marella building, recently vacated by W. G. Snyder. The reason for this change is that the stairway leading to his heretofore living rooms and office is to be taken down, so as to give more room in the Cuneo store.

Costumes for the masked ball in great variety on display at Odd Fellows hall, banquet room.

W. S. Yager and wife left Wednesday morning for Colgate, to take a prominent position at the electric plant there. Mr Yager has been one of the foremen at the Standard Electric plant at Electra, and has now been promoted by the company to a higher position at the Colgate plant.

The Utica Company of Angeles has offered a reward of \$100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who blew up the water mains of that mine recently.

Johnny Delahide came home Saturday, to spend the holidays with his folks. He has been attending school in Oakland.

Mrs John Kelly, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs O'Brien, in Oakland, returned home Saturday.

W. D. Laswell, who has been engaged for several weeks in renovating the interior of the Aqueduct hotel, above Pine Grove, has completed his job and returned home Saturday.

The United Railroads of San Francisco has purchased the Stanislaus power plant, capable of supplying electricity of 35,000 horse-power. The power will be utilized in running the street car system of San Francisco.

Mrs Murphy, who with her two children, has been visiting her father, Dr. C. H. Gibbons, left last week with her husband, who has recently joined her from Alaska, for a visit with relatives in the east. They will visit Europe before returning to their home in Alaska.—Colusa Sun.

Postmaster Duden is now receiving from San Francisco daily reports of the weather bureau. The reports are issued from the bureau every morning, and sent by mail. They forecast the weather for 36 hours, so that when they reach here the same evening the forecast extends for about 12 hours after their receipt.

The Jackson public school except the primary department was dismissed last Friday for the Christmas vacation of two weeks. Miss Berneseich's classes have continued to attend, owing to the fact that a week was missed recently owing to the diphtheria outbreak.

The cold weather of the past week has been severely detrimental to the stockmen. Around Jackson very few cattle have perished. In some sections of the county the loss has been heavy. The cattlemen have to feed hay liberally, on account of the scant pasturage. The cold spell was broken Wednesday, that day being several degrees warmer than the preceding days. The foggy weather which had prevailed for a week, has also lifted, giving place to clouded skies.

Our readers must excuse the shortness of news this week. The Ledger forms were put to press a day earlier, on account of the regular publishing day being Christmas, and to enable all to enjoy the holiday season. The same course will be followed next week, on account of New Year's day, also falling on Friday.

Remember the grand masquerade ball by Ursula Parlor N. D. G. W., in Love's hall New Year's eve.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Teachers' Certificates Granted.

The board of education of Amador county met in the office of the school superintendent December 12, and continued in session until December 22. All the members were present.

Miss Alice Gartlin was re-elected president of the board.

The examination of applicants for teachers' certificates commenced December 14, and continued until the 18th.

Nineteen applicants presented themselves for examination, 18 females and one male. Of these eleven wrote for certificates, seven of whom were successful in passing, namely:

Alice M. Bonham, Ione; Nellie M. Hanley, Jackson; May Agnes Kelly, Amador City; Elsie G. Smith, Stockton; Mand McKenzie, Volcano.

Two certificates were held in reserve until the applicants became of age, namely, Blanche Nichols and Ed. W. Andrews.

Eight applicants wrote for standing, and of these the following succeeded in the number of subjects named:

Hazel Goodman, in 11 subjects out of 24.

Alice Edna Wilcox, 11 subjects.

Alberta McKean, Volcano, 13 subjects.

Edith L. Campbell, 13 subjects.

Certificates on credentials were issued to the following:

Mary E. McCaskey, of State Normal; Fernor Alexander, Minnie A. Schumm, Blanche E. Beatie, Lena Adams, Annie Raggio, Ellen Elizabeth Tupman, Normal; Ellen C. Miller, Nettie Gondering, Normal; Nettie Armistead Normal; E. Werner, Normal; Edith D. Fontana, Mrs June Shane of South Dakota; Florence Gilman, Normal; Pearl E. Brown, on a high school certificate.

Otis Sharp, a graduate of State Normal, and employed as teacher of manual training at the Preston school, was granted a special certificate in manual training.

Mrs Rose Barnett on affidavit, was recommended for a grammar school life diploma.

The following books were adopted for school libraries:

Around the World, Geographical 1st book.

Around the World Geographical 2d book.

Around the World, Geographical 3d book.

Grandma Flora's Annual Stories.

Myths of the Red Children.

Two Little Algonquin Lads.

The Far East and the Far West.

History of California.

Human Body and Health.

War for Independence.

Braided Straws.

Sketches of Great Painters.

Walsh's New Primary Arithmetic.

Heroes of Myth.

Heroes of Chivalry.

Walsh's New Grammar School Arithmetic.

Brief History of the United State.

The Budget Fourth Reader.

Hyde's Primer.

Brook's Readers.

How the World is Clothed.

Essentials of Arithmetic.

Fifth Reader.

"My child was burned terribly about the face, neck and chest. I applied Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. The pain ceased and the child sank into a restful sleep."—Mrs Nancy M. Hanson, Hamburg, N. Y.

To Ione as Father Dies.

(Special Dispatch from Los Angeles.)

Freddie Spaetti, a lad of 16, was haled into court to-day on the charge of having stolen articles from baggage cars. Scarcely had the court passed sentence of five years in the reform school at Ione than news came to the boy announcing the death of his father in San Francisco. The lad pleaded piteously for his freedom over Christmas, but the court was inexorable. Spaetti's testimony was the means of sending two older men to the penitentiary.

Eggs For Hatching.

Single comb White Leghorn eggs per sitting of 15, 81; 85 per 100 chicks. Hatched to order \$10 per 100. Address Palm Poultry Farm, J. Johnson, proprietor, Ione, Cal. dec. 11, 4-m

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned desires to tender their sincere thanks to the many kind friends who gave aid and sympathy during the last illness and funeral ceremonies of a devoted wife and mother, Mrs Jane Phear.

We specially mention the Rev. T. H. Nicholas and Methodist choir.

Samuel Phear and daughter.

For Eczema, Tetter and Salt Rheum

The intense characteristic of these ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve. Many severe cases have been cured by it. For sale by Jackson Drug Store, Spagnoli, Prop.

Costumes for the masquerade ball will be on display in the banquet hall of the Odd Fellows hall, a few days preceding the ball.

STILL IN THE FRONT

For full lines of clothing, shoes, drygoods, gloves, silks, laces, embroideries, ladies' waists and ties, and corsets, all of which will be sold to the people of Amador county for less than any house in the state, taking out the expenses and express charges.

SHOW'S CASH STORE

Sutter Creek - California

Extending Railroad Facilities.

The owners of the copper mine near Irish Hill, are building a spur track from the mine, about three and a half miles north east of Ione, to connect with the Amador branch railroad near Clarksonia. The line will be between three and four miles long. It is being built to facilitate the shipment of ore. This enterprise indicates the faith of the owners in the permanence of this copper mine. Considerable shipments of ore have been made to the smelters at the bay. For the present it is the intention to ship all ores for treatment. The mine gives employment at present to quite a force of men, and will employ more as it becomes more developed. The business interests of the valley town have been materially stimulated by this industry.

A railroad line from the coal mine in Jackson valley to the main line at Ione or the I. and E. road, is also in contemplation. A survey has been made. The coal land of Jackson valley has been bonded. The coal is of higher grade than that found around Ione, and sells readily for domestic purposes. The problem is to reduce the transportation charges. To haul it by team several miles to a shipping point runs up the expense to a point that makes it unprofitable. With a branch line to tap the coal beds, a large and thriving industry would quickly spring up.

For that Dull Feeling After Eating

I have used Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for some time, and can testify that they have done me more good than any tablets I have ever used. My trouble was a heavy dull feeling after eating.—David Freeman, Kempt, Nova Scotia. These tablets strengthen the stomach and improve the digestion. They also regulate the liver and bowels. They are far superior to pills but cost no more. Get a free sample at Spagnoli's drug store and see what a splendid medicine it is.

Importing Quail.

Game warden Vogelsang, through the efforts of senator A. Caminetti, sent up to Chez Ardito eight dozen of quail from Monterey county. The birds are to be turned loose in different parts of Amador county for stocking purposes. Quail have become scarce in this section for several years. The birds from the southern county are the same as the native quail, and therefore adapted for repopulating this region with this prized game bird. They will be distributed at different points, and if the hunters will forbear shooting quail would in a couple of years be as plentiful as ever in this region. One thing that has tended to the depopulation of the quail family is the disappearance in a large measure of the brush land. As the lands have been cleared of underbrush, the quail have been deprived of their native shelter, and have emigrated to points where such shelter is more abundant.

PIONEER FLOUR always has been and still is the best.

DOCUMENTS RECORDED.

[The following instruments have been filed for record in the recorder's office since our last report. We publish a complete list of documents recorded, and must decline to accede to any request to suppress any document from these columns. Don't ask us to do so.]

Deeds—John Mitchell to Eliza J. Mitchell, part of lot 14 block 3, Amador City, \$10.

T. C. Judkins et ux to Webb Smith, an undivided one-half interest in land near Plymouth, \$10.

S. J. Holsinger et ux to W. F. Detert, 160 acres in 34 and 35 S-12, \$10.

S. J. Holsinger et ux to W. F. Detert, 320 acres in 28, 33 and 34 S-12, \$10.

Margaret Harding to W. F. Detert, an undivided two-thirds interest in 30 acres in 27, 28, 33 and 34 S-12, \$10. Michael Hartigan et ux to Daniel Hartigan, 80 acres in 21-7-9, love and affection.

U. S. Gregory, commissioner, to Frank J. Solinsky, all real property, rights of way, rolling stock, equipment, franchises and miscellaneous property of Ione and Eastern railroad, \$225,000.

Mortgage—Daniel M. Hartigan to Mrs Sarah King, 80 acres in 21-7-9, \$400 for two years with interest at the rate of 9 per cent per annum.

Crop Mortgage.—C. L. Miller to Rosenwald & Kahn, a 3/4 interest in the growing crop on two tracts of land near Plymouth, \$150 to be repaid June, 1908, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent per annum.

Satisfactions of Mortgages.—Amick to Chaney.

Oneto to Gritton.

Certificate of Redemption—William Scoble on mortgage executed by Ming Gee on lot 8 block 14 Plymouth, taxes of 1906, \$9.23.

Proofs of Labor.—Ira J. Cooley on Conroy quartz claim, Mt. Echo district.

A. M. Walsh on East Keystone quartz claim in Amador district.

John Robertson on Nugget claim, Mt. Echo district.

Rado Glavinich on Buck Eye placer claim, Oleta district.

John Ross jr., on Alpha quartz claim, Sutter Creek district.

P. Derania on Red Cloud quartz claim, Plymouth district.

Chas. H. Shields on May Ella quartz claim, Plymouth district.

Notice of Consolidation.—Chas. Gracey consolidates the Mungo Park and Lone Willow claims in Pioneer district.

Good Cough Medicine for Children

The season for coughs and colds is now at hand and too much care cannot be used to protect the children. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when he has a cold. The quicker you cure his cold the less the risk. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the sole reliance of many mothers, and few of those who have tried it are willing to use any other. Mrs F. F. Starcher, of Ripley, W. Va., says: "I have never used anything other than Chamberlain's cough remedy for my children and it has always given good satisfaction." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. For sale by Jackson Drug Store, Spagnoli, prop.

From Our Exchanges.

Henry Cook, a brother of sheriff Cook of this county, was found dead in the mountains 25 miles east of Georgetown last Friday. He went into the mountains Saturday, the 5th, to look after some ditch matters above Uncle Tom's, expecting to stay at a little house about seven miles from there. He did not return when expected, so George Thomas, the winter custodian of Uncle Tom's, set out to search for him. Thomas found where Cook had been at the cabin and then discovered tracks, leading away from it. He followed these for about three miles when he came onto Cook's body lying on the ground near Cold Springs. He had been dead some time from exposure. The deceased was entirely familiar with the mountains and quite able, ordinarily, to take care of himself, but he had been drinking very heavily before he left Georgetown and it is supposed that he became partially demented. The cabin was shot full of holes with bullets from his rifle. He was 38 years of age and a native of this county and leaves no family. His father, W. N. Cook, resides at Bar Creek.—El Dorado Republican.

Richard Rowe, who died at Oma Ranch during the night of December 6th, was 61 years of age and a native of Wisconsin. He came to California in 1872 and settled in Amador City, later on moving to Plymouth, but for the past thirteen years made his home at the Oma Ranch in this county. Mr. Rowe was a model citizen—temperate, frugal, yet generous in gifts to worthy charities. He leaves many warm friends to mourn his loss. He had no relatives in this state, but leaves two married sisters in Cripple Creek, and a brother, supposed to be in Colorado.—Republican.

Three of the water mains of the Utica Mining Company leading to the Ross reservoir, which supply Angels Camp with water, were blown up with dynamite by unknown persons at about 11 o'clock last Saturday night. No water was to be had until about noon the next day, when repairs were made and water again turned on. Our people were greatly inconvenienced, and many who did not know of the good qualities of water found it out for sure. There is no clue as to who the perpetrators of the outrage were.—Citizen.

Beginning with the new year our local physician, Dr. Schacht, will deliver every Friday at the West Point school a course of lectures demonstrating "first aid to the injured" and "antidotes for poisons." The children will be required to go through the same performance as that shown them by the doctor, to show that they thoroughly understand what to do in emergency cases. Dr. Schacht is a capable man and can convey his ideas understandingly. He was graduated from the California Medical College in 1886 and is also a graduate in pharmacy. He has had much hospital experience. For a number of years he was county physician of Amador county. It is a laudable act on the part of the doctor, as he receives no recompense whatever for the lectures, and realizes that a life can often be saved if the proper thing is done in time. This innovation meets with the approval of parents and certainly gives the children of our school an advantage over the children of many other schools.—Citizen.

Don't Be Hopeless

about yourself when you're crippled with rheumatism or stiff joints—of course you've tried lots of things and they failed. Try Ballard's Snow Liniment—it will drive away all aches, pains and stiffness and leave you as well as you ever were. Sold by Risher's City Pharmacy.

The first United States postage stamp issued came out in 1847, sixty-one year ago. Since then there have been hundreds of designs, but none of them has possessed the artistic merit which is claimed for the new ones. It takes over nine billion stamps of one kind and another to supply the demands of the American letter writer and other users of the mails, notwithstanding the fact that the bulk of the mail—second class matter—goes without stamps. Of the total number of stamps, two billion are 1-centers, four and a quarter billion are of the two-cent kind, eight hundred million are postal cards, and one and a half billion are stamped envelopes and wrappers. The ordinary stamp user has never seen one of the 85 kind, yet 11,500 of them were sold last year, and nearly 80,000 of the 81 kind passed through stamp windows. The sales of stamps, including postal cards, wrappers, and stamped envelopes, during the last fiscal year amounted to upward of 1,000 per capita. No other nation on earth can come anywhere near to reaching this record.

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Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Pioneer flour is the best; have no other.

THE PARACHUTE.

Leonardo da Vinci Was the First One to Suggest It.

Credible accounts exist of an English Benedictine monk, Oliver of Malmesbury, in the eleventh century having tried to fly by precipitating himself from the height of a tower with the assistance of wings attached to his arms and his feet. It is said that, having gone along a little way, he fell and broke his legs. He attributed his accident to failure to provide his apparatus with a tail, which would have helped preserve his equilibrium and made his descent a gentler one.

In the sixteenth century Leonardo da Vinci first demonstrated that a bird, which is heavier than the air, sustains itself, advances in the air, "by rendering the fluid denser where it passes than where it does not pass." In order to fly it has to fix its point of support on the air. Its wings in the descending stroke exert a pressure from above down, the reaction of which from below up forces the center of gravity of its body to ascend at each instant to the height at which the bird wishes to maintain it. Some sketches which have come down to us prove that Leonardo occupied himself, like Oliver of Malmesbury, with giving man the power to fly by the assistance of wings suitably fixed to the body.

We owe to Leonardo also the invention of the parachute, which he described in the following terms: "If a man had a pavilion each side of which was fifteen braces wide and twelve braces high he might cast himself from any height whatever without fear of danger." It may be said, too, of Leonardo da Vinci that he was the first to suggest the idea of the screw propeller.

A SAUCY DUCHESS.

Her Audacious Fight For Gay and His "Beggars' Opera."

When the "Beggars' Opera," by Gay, was produced in 1728 it took positively by storm. The king still clung to Handel, but the nobility, with the Duchess of Queensberry among them, flocked rapturously to the "Newgate pastoral." The "Beggars' Opera" had a run of sixty-two nights, unprecedented in those days, and as one result of its success Handel became bankrupt. Suddenly there came an order from the lord chancellor to stop the new piece. Why, is not exactly known unless it was because the prime minister considered himself to be too faithfully represented therein. However that may have been, the theater had to be closed, whereupon the Duchess of Queensberry took up Gay's cause and vehemently championed it.

Very busy was she in those days, driving about in her coach asking for guinea subscriptions for printing copies of the forbidden play. And so heedless was Kitty that she carried her list to the queen's drawing room itself and had the audacity to ask the king for a subscription. This was a little too much, and her grace was requested to withdraw from the court, Kitty announcing, with characteristic composure, that the command was very agreeable to her, as she had never gone there for her own diversion, but to bestow civility upon the king and queen.

Papua Island.

Papua Island was so named by the Malays, and the word means "frizzled," in reference to the hair of the inhabitants. It is generally supposed that Papua or New Guinea was originally part of the mainland of Australia. It was discovered by the Portuguese in 1526, though it was probably sighted by A. Dabreu during his voyage fifteen years earlier. The Australian government, realizing the danger that would arise if an enemy seized land so near their coasts, frequently urged England to annex the eastern portion of the island, and after two or three unauthorized annexations a British protectorate was established there in 1884.

Clipping Their Wings.

The costume of the Pu Yuan Pen-Jen women in the Shan states is very striking, consisting of a cloth hood, an open jacket and a pair of short white trousers reaching barely to the knee. But the most important though the least noticeable part of their costume is their colored cloth garters. These the women are obliged to wear, as without them it is believed they would be able to fly away, leaving their husbands and sweethearts sorrowful.

Sweet and Low.

A young man named Sweet engaged to marry a young woman named Lowe. A few Sundays previous to the wedding the happy couple attended church together, and as they walked along the aisle the choir began singing the song "Sweet and Low," entirely unconscious of the musical pun that was being perpetrated.

Thrifty.

"Well, parson, is your flock lib'ral in their 'nevolences'?"

"Liberal? Well, I should say dey is not that. Why, when I asted them to sing 'Ole Hundred' dey done sung 'The Ninety and Nine.'"—Harper's.

Talk.

"It takes a baby mos' two years to learn to talk," said Uncle Eben, "an' den it takes de res' of its lifetime to learn to keep f'm talkin' too much."—Washington Star.

Two Bad Bites.

Diogenes being asked "What is that beast which is the most dangerous?" replied, "Of wild beasts the bite of a slanderer and of tame beasts that of the flatterer."

Those who want friends to whom to open their griefs are cannibals of their own hearts.—Bacon.

Old Age.

Modern man is living longer than did his ancient brother. Aristotle gave the beginning of old age at 35, and Hippocrates set the end of youth at 28. The Romans were not permitted to vote after they reached 60; it was supposed by the Romans that after a man reached 60, he had no judgment.

The modern American is allowed to vote at 21, but he has provided that the Filipino shall not vote until he has reached 23. The Japanese vote at 20; the Chinese at 30, and the old Hebrews and Spartans voted at the same age; the Russian and Turk vote at 25; the Spaniard at 25; in Peru, a man is permitted to vote at 18 if married, and at 21 if unmarried; in Mexico, United States of Colombia, Nicaragua, and Uruguay, the men vote at 18; in Holland, 23; Austria, 24; Norway, Sweden, Italy, Portugal and Chile, 25. The old Spartans curtailed a man's political privileges if unmarried at the age of 30.

The Modesty of Women

Naturally makes them shrink from the indelicate questions, the obnoxious examinations, and unpleasant local treatments, which some physicians consider essential in the treatment of diseases of women. Yet, if help can be had, it is better to submit to this ordeal than let the disease grow and spread. The trouble is that so often the woman undergoes all the annoyance and shame for nothing. Thousands of women who have been cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription write in appreciation of the cure which dispenses with the examinations and local treatments. There is no other medicine so sure and safe for delicate women as "Favorite Prescription." It cures debilitating drains, irregularity and female weakness. It always helps. It almost always cures. It is strictly non-alcoholic, non-secret, all its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrapper; contains no deleterious or habit-forming drugs, and every native medicinal root entering into its composition has the full endorsement of those most eminent in the several schools of medical practice. Some of these numerous and strongest of professional endorsements of its ingredients, will be found in a pamphlet wrapped around the bottle, also in a booklet mailed free on request, by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. These professional endorsements should have far more weight than any amount of the ordinary lay, or non-professional testimonials.

The most intelligent women now-a-days insist on knowing what they take as medicine instead of opening their mouths like a lot of young birds and gulping down whatever is offered them. "Favorite Prescription" is of known composition. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser is sent free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Send to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., 21 one-cent stamps for paper-covered, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound. If sick consult the Doctor, free of charge by letter. All such communications are held sacredly confidential.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets invigorate and regulate stomach, liver and bowels.

Choked to Death

is commonly said of babies who have died of the croup. How unnecessary this is. No child ever had the croup without having a cold or cough at the start. If you will stop the first symptom of the cough with Ballard's Horehound Syrup there is no danger whatever of croup. Sold by Risher's City Pharmacy.

There are 2,500 almshouses in this country which cost more than \$30,000,000 annually to maintain. They house about 80,000 inmates. That is a little less than one pauper for every thousand inhabitants, which is perhaps too many for so rich a country. And even that list does not include the numerous destitute persons who depend upon charity through other than official channels. The figures are not menacing or startling, as one in a thousand offers a fair chance for escape, but they are sufficiently large to emphasize the importance of thrift, a trait which many Americans lack.

The greatest street in the world is in America. London may have its Strand and Piccadilly, Paris its Bois du Boulogne and Champs Elysees and Berlin its Unter den Linden. But viewed from any aspect except that of mere age, Broadway—New York's Broadway—is ahead of any two of them put together.

Very Game.

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, at a dinner in Cincinnati, told a quaint story about a precocious boy.

"They are very precocious, indeed," she said, "those little chaps from Elton or Rugby, with their round, sober faces, and their quiet air."

"A very pretty American girl was talking one evening in London to one of these urchins."

"And have you got a sweetheart yet Tommy?" she said playfully.

"No," said Tommy; "still, I'm game enough for a bit of spooning, if that's what you're after."

Beware of Frequent Colds

A succession of colds or a protracted cold is almost certain to end in chronic catarrh, from which few persons ever wholly recover. Give every cold the attention it deserves and you may avoid this disagreeable disease. How can you cure a cold? Why not try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is highly recommended. Mrs. M. White, of Butler, Tenn., says: "Several years ago I was bothered with my throat and lungs. Someone told me of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I began using it and it relieved me at once. Now my throat and lungs are sound and well." For sale by Jackson Drug Store, Spangoli, prep.

HOW IT WAS DONE.

Raise in Salaries of State Officers Carries by Two Votes.

Two votes is the majority for the constitutional amendment proposing to raise the salaries of state officers and clerks and which was supposed to have been beaten at the polls by a small margin.

This morning the figures in the hands of the secretary of state indicated that the amendment had been beaten by a majority of 168. W. H. Govan, statistician in the office of the secretary of state, and whose salary is not increased by the provisions of the amendment, was not satisfied with the result of the returns in Sacramento county. He took the returns made by the county election commissioners and compared them with the returns as published in this city the day after the election. He saw that in two instances at least what appeared to be glaring errors had been made.

Mr. Govan carried his troubles to the board of supervisors. He said he had every reason to believe that the official returns for the sixteenth precinct of the second district were incorrect, inasmuch as he was personally acquainted with more than twenty-four men who voted for the amendment. Upon the advice of the district attorney the machines were opened, the first being that used at the sixteenth precinct, second district, and the official returns showed the vote on the amendment to have been: For, 24; against, 107. The published report showed the vote to have been 124 for and 107 against. The machine, when opened, showed the vote cast to have been 124 for and 107 against. This was a clear gain of 100 votes for the amendment.

And then the machine that had been used in the thirteenth precinct of the second district was examined. The official returns showed that the vote on the amendment had been: For, 27; against, 51. The returns as published showed the vote to have been 37 for and 51 against. The machine showed that the vote had been 37 for and 51 against, or a gain of ten votes, and this was enough. It left a margin of two in favor of the amendment. That meant one of the closest finishes ever recorded on any proposition in California where all the electors had a chance to vote.—Sac. News

IT IS SERIOUS

Some Jackson People Fail to Realize the Seriousness

The constant aching of a bad back, The weariness, the tired feeling, The pains and aches of kidney ills Are serious—if neglected. Dangerous urinary troubles follow.

Mrs. G. H. Helmann, living at No. 1246 E. Main street, Stockton, Cal., says: "I do not think there is a remedy to equal Doan's Kidney Pills for kidney disease or rheumatism. My kidneys were in a disordered condition, my back ached and I was feeling miserable when Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my attention. They gave me relief after a short use, I continued taking them and I am better now than I have been in years. It gives me great pleasure to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Plenty more proof like this from Jackson people. Call at the City Pharmacy and ask what customers report."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents, Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Hives, eczema, itch or salt rheum sets you crazy. Can't bear the touch of your clothing. Doan's Ointment cures the most obstinate cases. Why suffer. All druggists sell it.

Phear's Express.

King up Sam Phear for prompt delivery of trunks, baggage and express packages. Rates reasonable. Leave orders with P. L. Cassinelli, phone Main 35; and Express office, Main 34; residence Black 374.

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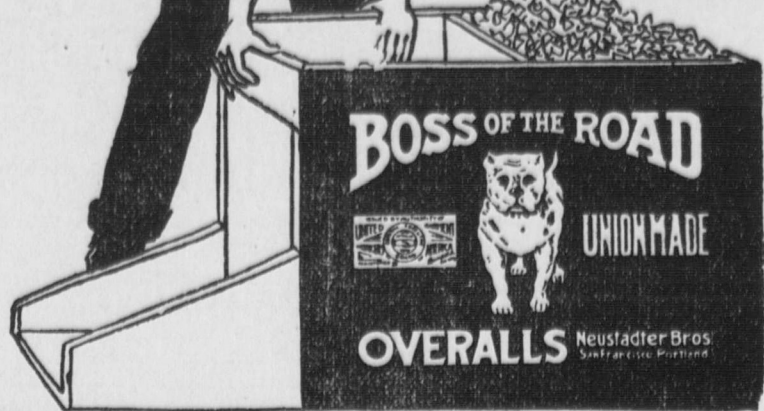
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Many Telegrams at Once.—The Cleanest Pavement.—A Gasoline-Electric Ferry.—Reinforcing Our Body Guard.—Steam Engine Economy.—Aros of Various Colors.—Briquettes for Home Gas.—Straw Boxes.—A Normal Baby's Freak.

In the multiplex telegraphy of M. Mercadier, as lately improved, several alternating or undulatory currents are used on the line at the same time. These currents differ in wave-length, and as signals are sent by electromagnetic vibrators or tuning forks, they are received in monotelephones or vibrating plates, each responding only to impulses of the period of one of the vibrators. The Morse signals are not only heard in an ear-tube but if necessary, they can be made to register as well. For this a delicate lever is placed against the telephone disk, and as the disk vibrates the lever is repeatedly repelled, making contact for a local battery circuit through a Morse or Hughes register. Such a device is the monotelephonic relay. In a late trial over a 540-mile line between Paris and Marseilles, six Hughes instruments and six monotelephone relays were used at each end, and twelve different messages were sent over the same wire at once. Two instruments using direct current were also operating on the line. There was no interference, and it is believed that a much larger number of messages can be sent simultaneously.

Vulkanol, a new artificial paving stone that is being tried in leading German cities, is a mixture of crushed basalt or similar rocks with a small percentage of cement. The material is made into blocks by hydraulic pressure, burned about twelve days in a special furnace, and cooled slowly. Pavements are laid on concrete or macadam, thin sheets of the vulkanol being used for sidewalks. It is claimed that the pavements cost less than granite or concrete, are tough and durable, are so hard and close-jointed as to be quite free from dust, and are more easily cleaned than other kinds.

The new ferryboat at Grilleboeuf, near the mouth of the Seine, has two paddle-wheels, which are driven at 30 revolutions per minute by two electric motors making 540 revolutions. Current for each motor is supplied by a De Dion gasoline engine and dynamo of 70 horse-power.

While it may not be possible to lengthen life greatly or indefinitely, as Metchnikoff and others have been inclined to think, it must be true that enlightened care will add to the efficiency of the human engine and tend to lengthen to some degree its period of service. Dr. Doyen, of Paris, has been studying the agents that change the human body in the process of aging, and finds that they represent a self-poisoning from food and the various disorders experienced in every lifetime. In his search for a remedy for the self-poisoning, he has found himself able to strengthen the white corpuscles of the blood in their continual struggle with invading microbes. He has discovered a liquid ferment principle that he calls "Mycolysine," and, while this is not claimed to be an elixir of life, it has the remarkable property of increasing the production of leucocytes or white blood corpuscles, and thus adding to the power of destroying harmful microbes before they can cause infection. A practical use of this discovery is the shortening of the duration of a number of common maladies. A cold in the head may be cured in half an hour, and colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and other diseases of the respiratory organs are to some extent prevented, as are also certain diseases of the digestive organs, and even in diphtheria the added white corpuscles give effect to anti diphtheritic serum.

A portable engine and boiler built by R. Wolf, of Magdeburg, have shown remarkable results in tests made by Prof. M. Guttermuth, of Darmstadt. When developing 103 horse-power, the engine's steam consumption was only 8.86 pounds and the fuel consumption only 1.06 pounds per horse-power hour. The engine works on superheated steam, and is compounded, both cylinders being in the smoke-box and thus jacketed by the hot flue gases.

The flaming are light can be given a great variety of colors by varying the material impregnating the carbon electrodes. Yellow, pearl white, and red carbons are now sold—calcium salts yielding the yellow, strontium the red or pink, and barium the white. The yellow usually preferred, gives the highest efficiency, and white the lowest—or just a little more light than the open arc from pure carbon.

Briquettes of compressed calcium carbide have been prepared by H. Koffler, of Vienna, and are claimed to be non-hydroscopic, keeping indefinitely, and to avoid the danger of continuing to give off gas after withdrawal of water. They are made by intimately mixing finely granulated carbide with a binding material and compressing in molds. In contact with water, the briquettes evolve acetylene at a perfectly uniform rate, each particle of carbide being acted on only as its protective covering is dissolved away, and when the water is forced out of the apparatus the material remains suspended absolutely inactive in the gas generated. As the briquettes gradually dissolve, the moist precipitated residue falls away ensuring complete use of the carbide.

The advancing prices of wood throughout the world are leading to an eager search for substitutes. In Australia farmers have been packing butter for export in pine boxes, but have recently found that a box made from kaolin and straw serves the purpose as well, and enables the producers to keep up with the rapidly growing foreign demand for butter. Over 3,000,000 boxes, costing about \$1,000,000, are now used yearly. The new box is light, strong and damp-proof, and is estimated to save \$250,000 a year.

A month-old baby with a full set of small but perfectly developed teeth caused a sensation at a recent meeting of the Vienna Medical Society. The premature appearance of teeth has been known before, but in this case the child is normal in the development of bones and hair and in nutrition, a healthy boy of normal parentage, and the doctors are at a loss to explain the twenty-five teeth.

The light intensity of the moonless night sky is estimated by L. J. Lewinson at 0.001 candle-foot; of moonlight, 0.014 candle foot; and of daylight, between 8 a. m. and 4 p. m., from 2,000 to 8,000 candle-feet. Some clouds increase, others greatly decrease, the intensity of illumination.

You should always remember that most cough and cold cures are constipating. Yet the most important thing to do when you have a cold is to move the bowels. You cannot promptly cure a cold until you do this. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup stops the cough by allaying inflammation of the throat and lungs, and it drives the cold from the system by gently moving the bowels. Children like it for it tastes nearly as good as maple sugar. Sold by City Pharmacy, 17 W. Kuhser, Prop.

The earliest naval battle of which there is any historic record was fought in the year 480 B. C., when the Halicarnassian queen, Artemesia, commanded a vessel which was pursued by a Greek ship. The queen's ship sank its pursuer. The fight is referred to as the battle of Salamis.

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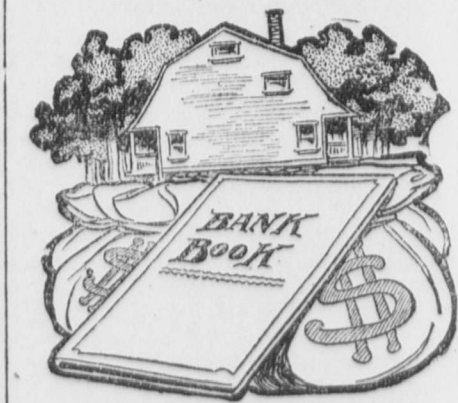
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THE PRISON BIRD.

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The peculiarity of the prison bird, a feathered beauty of Africa, is that he is the most tyrannical and jealous of husbands, imprisoning his mate throughout her nesting time. Livingstone watched the bird's habits while in Monpour, and in his subsequent observations referred to the nest as a prison and the female bird as a slave.

The nest is built in the hollow of a tree through an opening in the bark. As soon as it is completed the mother bird enters carefully and fearfully and settles down in it. Then papa walls up the opening, leaving only just space enough for air and food to pass through. He keeps faithful guard and brings food at regular intervals without fail. The female thrives under her enforced retirement. But if the prison bird is killed or in any other way prevented from fulfilling his duties the mother and her little ones must die of starvation, for she cannot free herself from bondage.

Normally the imprisonment lasts until the chicks are old enough to fly. Then the male bird destroys the barrier with his beak and liberates his family. "It is charming," writes Livingstone, "to see the joy with which the little prisoners greet the light and the unknown world."

THE NORMAN "OYEZ."

A Legacy of William the Conqueror to the Courts.

Everybody who has ever been in a United States courtroom knows that when the judge walks out of his chambers and ascends the bench the court crier drones out:

"Oyez, oyez, oyez, the honorable court of the (whatever district it may be) is now in session."

Not many persons, however, realize that the crier says "oyez, oyez, oyez," instead of "harken, harken, harken," because of a chance visit that William the Conqueror made to an English court almost 900 years ago.

William had overrun England, seized the government and placed himself at its head. Happening to enter a courtroom, he heard the crier call the assemblage to order in English. William rebuked him and on the spot decreed that the business of all English courts should be transacted in Norman French, his native tongue. Afterward the courts went back to English, but to this day "oyez, oyez, oyez" clings to court customs wherever the English language is spoken as a reminder of the great Norman who whipped King Harold in the battle of Hastings.—Scrap Book.

One of Life's Tragedies.

He had expected a tender embrace from his sweetheart, but her greeting of him was cold. He could not understand it.

"Darling," he exclaimed in agony. "What is the matter?"

But she remained silent, her lips tightly closed, and motioned him from her.

He fell upon his knees. "My love," he cried, "tell me what I have done to offend you? I swear I have done nothing wrong! I confess I kissed the Simpson girl last night at the party, but on my oath I—I thought she was you."

Her lips closed even tighter, but she uttered not a syllable, and, in despair at her unbending demeanor, he fled from the place, he knew not whither.

Would you know, oh, reader, the reason of the conduct by which a woman blighted two young lives? 'Twas simply this: She had left her false teeth in the bathroom.

Probably She Meant It.

Lucile, a carefully brought up little girl of five years, returned from her first party in great glee.

"I was a good girl, mamma," she announced and talked nice all the time." "Did you remember to say something pleasant to Mrs. Townsend just before leaving?" her mother asked.

"Oh, yes, I did," was the enthusiastic reply. "I smiled and said: 'I enjoyed myself, Mrs. Townsend. I had a lot better dinner than I thought I'd have.'"—Delineator.

One on the Judge.

"Here you are," said the judge to the colored prisoner, "complaining that you can't get along with one wife, and yet Solomon had hundreds of 'em."

"Yes, yer honor," was the reply, "but you must rickollect dat de last testimony he give in wuz dat dey wuz all vanity an' vexation of spirit!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Still Holds Good.

"There was a time," exclaimed young Spenders, who had gone through a fortune, "when people used to say I had more money than brains. They can't say it now."

"No?" queried the caustic cad. "No, I'm down to my last penny."

"Ah, but you have the penny."—Philadelphia Press.

Awkward.

A pretty schoolteacher, noticing one of her little charges idle, said sharply: "John, the devil always finds something for idle hands to do. Come up here and let me give you some work."—Judge's Library.

A New Sensation.

Mrs. Bullion—I wish I knew something to do that would provide me with an absolutely new sensation. Mr. Bullion—Go out and pay cash for something.—Life.

Windmills.

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CONGRESS HITS BACK.

The president's message has been construed as an affront by both houses of congress, especially that portion of the message which covertly conveys the idea that members of congress need the espionage of the government detective service. The president was piqued because congress was not disposed to be as liberal in granting funds for the support of this service as the president thought it ought to be. A committee has been named by each branch to investigate the disbursements of the detective service. This is a retaliatory move to the objectionable portions of the message aimed at congress.

It seems that the closing days of the Roosevelt administration is to be marked by a clash between the president and congress. This is to be regretted. Roosevelt has made a chief executive of whom the nation is proud, and who has commanded the respect and admiration of the civilized world. His remarkable handling of the nation's affairs will not be materially dimmed by the result of the investigations set afoot by congress. Still the insinuations against the national legislature contained in the message were unfortunate—perhaps blunder would be the right word. If congressmen had gone astray the individual members should be investigated, the charges should be specific. To throw a bombshell by means of the opening message, aiming at the body generally, and no one in particular, was not wise.

LXPERTING BOOKS.

It has been said that the books of the county officers have not been experted for many years, and for that reason it would not be amiss to do something in this direction. It is added that beyond a few trifling clerical errors, nothing would be likely to come of such an investigation. From the latter assumption the Ledger must dissent. The usual method of experting the books would be useless now, as it has been in years gone by. Simply to see whether money collected by the officers had been paid to the treasurer, and faithfully paid out on claims allowed and audited by the proper officers, would do little good. That is not the kind of exploiting this county is in need of. But if the experting took a wider and more practical range, we believe it would prove a godsend to the taxpayers of this county. That is to say, if the expert would go behind the returns, and report whether certain claims have been correctly and legally allowed and paid, whether the laws governing the allowance and payment of bills have been observed, whether contracts which the law enjoins have been strictly kept; whether slipshod, unbusiness like methods have been followed in some cases to the detriment of the county, while in others a pettiness has been adopted to the injury of the individual claimant. If this were the spirit of the expert investigation, we believe it would prove a boon indeed to a long-suffering community. But of the mamby-pamby, mush and milk, soft-soap expert business, we have had enough and to spare.

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Jenny's Quick Method.
Jenny's uncle, who was a school-teacher, met her on the street one beautiful May day and asked her if she was going to the Maypole dance.
"No, I ain't going."
"Oh, my little dear," said her uncle, "you must not say 'I ain't going.' You must say 'I am not going.'" And he proceeded to give her a little lesson in grammar. "You are not going. He is not going. We are not going. You are not going. They are not going. Now, can you say all that, Jenny?"
"Sure, I can," she replied, making a courtesy. "There ain't nobody going."
—Ladies' Home Journal.

Jury at the Theater.
An unusual spectacle was witnessed at the Theater Royal, Nelson, Auckland, when the jury, who had been locked up three nights because they could not agree to a verdict in a murder case, were allowed to witness a living picture display. They had expressed a desire to attend the theater as a relief, and the judge consented.—Auckland News.

A Work Maker.
"Binks is weak financially, isn't he?"
"He hasn't much money, but he gives employment to a great many men."
"Who are they?"
"Other people's bill collectors."—London Tit-Bits.

Church Notes.

Order of services at the Methodist Episcopal church as follows: Sunday school at 2 p. m., preaching services every Sunday to commence at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

EPISCOPAL.
Regular services will be held in St. Augustine's Episcopal church as follows:

11 a. m.—First and third Sunday in each month.
7:30 p. m.—Second and fourth Sunday in each month.

Forgetful.
An eminent painter was once asked if he thought art students did well to go to Europe to study. He said that was undoubtedly the atmosphere was more artistic in Europe than anywhere else, but that Paris as a city to study and work in was overrated.
To illustrate his meaning he said that a certain rich man's son after three years in Paris wrote home to his father:
"Dear Father—I have made up my mind to set to work. Please let me know at your earliest convenience whether it was painting, architecture or music I came to Paris to study."

Humility.
It is a curious fact of human nature that humility draws forth from the world almost as much admiration as courage. As in the case of courage, it is almost impossible wholly to condemn a character in which we see it, and without it the greatest virtues leave us cold. If every good word which the Pharisee said of himself were proved true we should still dislike him. We even dislike his modern and far less offensive descendant, the prig.—London Spectator.

A Straight Tip.
Customer—Quick shave, please. Barber—Close, sir? Customer—See here, what business is it of yours whether I'm close or not? I'll tell you one thing, young man—I don't tip. If that's what you want to know.—Puck.

STUPID SHEEP.

They Are About the Most Senseless of All Animals.

A Colorado ranchman declares that no animal that walks is as big a fool as a sheep.

"We have to watch them every minute, and if vigilance is relaxed for an instant the entire flock is likely to practically commit suicide. In handling most animals some degree of self help or intelligence can be relied on to aid the owner in saving their lives, but sheep seem to set deliberately to work to kill themselves.

"If caught in a storm on the plains they will drift before the wind and die of cold and exposure rather than move a hundred yards to windward to obtain shelter in their corral. To drive sheep against the wind is absolutely impossible. I once lost over 1,000 head because I could not drive them to a corral not 200 feet away.

"In the corral they are still more foolish. If a storm comes up they all move 'down wind' until stopped by the fence. Then commences the proceeding so much dreaded by sheepmen known as 'piling.' The sheep will climb over each other's backs until they are heaped up ten feet high. Of course all those at the bottom are smothered. Not one has sense enough to seek shelter under the lee of the fence, as a horse or dog would do.

"Again, if a sheep gets into a quicksand its fate teaches nothing to those that come immediately after, but the whole flock will follow its leader to destruction. No more exasperatingly stupid animal than a sheep walks."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A CHINESE STORY.

The Noted Liar Who Had a Fairly Competent Spouse.

A noted liar once told a friend that he had at home three precious things—a bullock which could run 500 miles a day, a fowl which crowed at the beginning of each watch, day and night, and a dog that could read books. The friend intimated that he would lose no time in seeing these marvels with his own eyes. The man did not expect this, as his house was somewhat distant, so he went home and told his wife that he had got caught at last and that tomorrow the man would arrive and he would be disgraced.

"Never mind," said the spouse. "Leave that to me. It will be all right, only you must keep out of sight."

Next morning the visitor arrived and, being met by the mistress, asked where her husband was.

"He has gone to Pekin," she replied. "When will he be back?"

"In eight or nine days."

"Why, how can he be so quick?"

"He has gone off on our fast bullock and so can do it easily."

"I hear you have also a wonderful fowl," said the visitor. And, behold, as he was speaking a small cock crew.

"That's it," said the wife. "He crows at the beginning of each watch and also when a visitor arrives."

"I would also like to see the learned dog," he said.

"Ah," said she, "I am sorry; but, you see, we are very poor, and so he keeps a school in the city."—Scrap Book.

Left Him in Doubt.
A certain young artist in New York who is on terms of comparative intimacy with the janitor of the apartment house wherein he maintains his studio is in some doubt whether the said janitor is a cynic or something of an art critic, or both.

"One day while doing a bit of repair work in the studio," says the painter, "Mike scrutinized a bit of my work with ominous solemnity. When I indicated a portrait of myself the blow fell. Said I:

"The paint on this is badly cracked, which spoils the likeness."

"With no more expression in his countenance than is to be seen in the face of a representative of Buddha Mike replied:

"Not at all, sir."

Training Canaries.

In the canary breeding establishments of Germany only the male birds are valued, because the females never sing. The method of training the birds to sing is to put them in a room where there is an automatic whistle, which they all strive to imitate. The breeder listens to the efforts of the birds and picks out the most apt pupils, which are then placed in another room for further instruction. These are the best singers and ultimately fetch high prices.

Lived Up to His Belief.
Hobo—No, madam, I am neither a Socialist nor an anarchist. I am a passive altruist. Housekeeper—And what in the name of common sense is that? Hobo—I believe in being helped all I can.—Boston Transcript.

Cautious.
Prospective Best Man—Got the marriage license yet? Prospective Bridegroom—No; I'm not going to get that until the last thing. She may go back on me.—Chicago Tribune.

The Modern Husband.
Mrs. Knicker—We are to have a thousand foot skyscraper. Mrs. Bocker—I suppose that means that Henry will be detained at the office 500 feet later.—Harper's Weekly.

Jaded.
The Lady—Little boy, don't you know smoking will shorten your life? The Kid—Shucks! Wot do I care? I've seen everyting dere is.—Boston Traveler.

What maintains one vice would bring up two children.—Benjamin Franklin.

A CAT AND A CANARY.

They Went Away Separately, but Came Back Together.

A lady friend of mine, says an English writer, has as pets a canary and a cat. The two were the best of good friends, and when the bird's prison door was opened it would come out and perch on the cat's back while it trilled forth a song of gladness.

One day my friend left her two pets together, and on her return the bird was nowhere to be found. Pussy was curled up on a cushion, sleeping contentedly, and my friend jumped to the conclusion that the cat was answerable for the bird's disappearance, consequently she caught up the cat and, holding the supposed delinquent before the empty cage, beat it rather mercilessly. Poor pussy mewed piteously, but her relentless mistress put her outside and shut the door against her.

Next morning, feeling rather ashamed of her outburst, she made inquiries about the cat, but pussy was gone.

Some days later she heard a faint scratching at her window, and on opening the casement a cat crept in and laid a bedraggled canary at her feet. At first she did not recognize her pet in the two disreputable looking objects before her. When she did recognize them her delight was great.

Presumably the canary had gone out by the open window, and, finding liberty sweet, it had flown to a neighboring wood. How the cat found the bird and brought it back uninjured is a mystery.

DEATH VALLEY.

The Burning, Blasting Winds That Sweep This Arid Waste.

The prevailing winds in Death valley are from the west. Though originating in the Pacific ocean and saturated with humidity in traveling the intermediate distance, they are intercepted by the lofty peaks of four ranges of mountains, which absorb all of their moisture, so that by the time they reach the valley all humidity has disappeared. The blasts are as if heated in a fiery furnace, and no living thing can survive the intense heat. Even birds indigenous to the region die.

It is in the months of greatest heat that the sandstorms of Death valley are most deadly. They rage with intense fury, obliterating the landscape and dimming the light of the sun, withering the scanty vegetation and covering the trails deep in powdered dust. At all times the aspect of the valley is superlatively desolate. No spot on earth surpasses it in aridity or Tophet-like heat.

During the heated term an hour without water means death. Meat becomes putrid in an hour. Eggs are cooked in the blistering sand. Water is only palatable by means of large, porous, earthenware jars, common to all hot countries, suspended in drafts and reduced in temperature by means of the rapid evaporation of the moisture from the outside.

Wedding Ring Mottoes.

The custom of inscribing within the hoop of the betrothal or wedding ring a motto or "posy," as it was called, was formerly very prevalent. Hamlet asks, "Is this a prologue or the posy of a ring?" Some posies were very tender and beautiful. Among the more appropriate posies may be mentioned "Deux corps, un coeur." "My heart and I until I die" and "I am yours" from sixteenth century rings. "Love ever," "Love true, 'tis joy," and "Time lesseneth not my love" from the seventeenth century. "Love me," "My soul will keep thine company to heaven" and "En ma fidelite je finirai ma vie" from the eighteenth. In the ring which "Florizel" (afterward George IV.) gave to the hapless Perdita were the words "Je change qu'en mourant—Unalterable to my Perdita through life."

A Finland Festival.

Paul Waineman's "A Summer Tour in Finland" contains this pretty bit of folklore: "Midsummer is the great annual festival of Finland. From every height a bonfire leaps to the sky in honor of the mating of night and day, who are then united. The Finns possess a poetical legend relating to this annual custom. Kolt and Amarik, the sunset and sunrise, beseeched the lord of the sky to give them permission to be eternally a bride and bridegroom and once a year to clasp each other in their glowing arms."

A Lesson From Nature.

"Young gentlemen," lectured the eminent instructor, "you are old enough now to put away the childish and trivial amusements that sufficed for you when you were younger. Learn a lesson from the dumb brutes and even from the reptiles. When they arrive at maturity they comport themselves with a certain dignity."

"It isn't so with the rattlesnake, professor," objected the young man with the bad eye. "The older he grows the more rattles he plays with."—Chicago Tribune.

Stopping the Exodus.

During service in an English church on a warm Sunday many of the congregation, finding the air oppressive, rose and silently stole away. The minister, perceiving that the exodus was about to become epidemic, paused in his discourse. "Brethren," he said, "I am here to deliver a sermon, not a soliloquy!"

Women and Words.

Mrs. Stubb—Now, women are not impulsive, like you men. They always measure their words. Mr. Stubb (with a sigh)—Oh, if some of them would only give short measure!—Chicago News.

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